

iLEARNTECHNOLOGY

Responsible Use Policy Example



Parents and Guardians:

Today in class we discussed the rules for responsible use of technology. Please read our school's Responsible Use Policy for using technology with your child. When you are finished, please sign and return to school.

Our school believes that all students should have access to technology when they act in a responsible, efficient, courteous, and legal manner. Technologies including Internet access and other online services, offer a multitude of learning opportunities for both teachers and students. In providing these services, our goal is to enhance the learning opportunities made available to students. We have taken every effort to protect students from inappropriate materials, but it is impossible to completely protect students from material that is not consistent with our schools goals. Students will be expected to responsibly use the Internet within an educational activity, such as performing research, creating, and disseminating information. The use of technology is a privilege that can be taken away at any time.

The following are our agreements about the use of technology at our school.

Using technology is a privilege and responsibility, I promise to follow these rules:

1. I promise to use all technology equipment carefully and not damage, change, or tamper with the hardware/software settings or the network.
2. I promise never to use any form of electronic communication to harass, frighten, or bully anyone. I will not cyberbully.
3. I promise to use the computer and the Internet at school for schoolwork and learning only. I will use the programs and websites that my teacher has approved.
4. I promise not to share my passwords with anyone except my parents and teachers.
5. I will not view, send, or display inappropriate messages or pictures.
6. I promise to tell a trusted adult right away if I read or see anything on the computer that is inappropriate or makes me feel scared, embarrassed, or confused.
7. I promise to obey copyright laws.
8. I will not use my personal online accounts at school except with the permission of a teacher or staff member.
9. I promise to ask for permission before printing anything.
10. I promise to use my own account and folders on the server.
11. I promise to never give out my address, phone number, last name, password, family names, the name of my school, or a picture of myself online. I promise NEVER to meet someone in person that I met online.
12. I promise to only use appropriate language.
13. I promise to help others be responsible citizens. If I see anything or anyone that does not follow these rules, I will immediately tell a teacher or staff member.
14. I understand if I break any of my promises, I might not be able to use the technology at school.

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As part of learning, teachers and students will be utilizing Web tools such as blogs, wikis, podcasts, and vodcasts. These technologies improve student communication and collaboration skills, provide an authentic audience, and extend learning beyond the classroom walls while building digital citizenship skills.

I am signing my name to show that I promise to follow all of these rules.

Student Name (Print) _____

Student Signature _____

Teacher _____

Grade _____ Date Signed _____

I have read this Responsible Use Policy and have discussed it with my child.

Parent/Guardian Name (Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date Signed _____

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